forces and that they should be asked to leave India. He also alleged that some of them had links with the drug mafia.

(c) and (d) 'Public Order' & 'Police' are the State Subjects as per the Constitution and it is for the State Govt. to examine the charges and take appropriate action. In the guidelines issued by the Central Govt. the States have been advised to take action against persons spreading ill will, hatred, disharmony between members of different communities.

**Human Rights Commissions in the States**

1166. SHRI MD. SALIM: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether National Human Rights Commission had advised formation of State level Human Rights Commission in the States;

(b) if so, the names of the States where the same have been formed;

(c) whether Uttar Pradesh Government has refused to form such a Commissionin the State;

(d) if so, the action taken by Government to ensure formation of the same in Uttar Pradesh and other States; and

(e) if not, the time-bound action plan to form State-level Human Rights Commissions in Uttar Pradesh and other States?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L. K. ADVANI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) As per available information State Governments of Assam, West Bengal, Punjab, Madhya Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Himachal Pradesh, Manipur, Jammu and Kashmir have set up State Human Rights Commission, Govt. of Kerala has issued notification for setting up of the State Human Rights Commission.

(c) to (e) The State Government of Uttar Pradesh after considering the matter decided that it is not necessary to set up State Human Rights Commission as alternate grievance redressal mechanism exist, such as:

(i) Uttar Pradesh Legislative Assembly and Legislative Council.

(ii) State Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes Commission.

(iii) State Backward Caste Commission.

(iv) State Minorities Commission.

(v) (a) Human Rights Cell in Home Department of the State Government.

(b) Human Rights Cell in the Office of Director General Police.

There are enabling provisions in the Protection of Human Rights Act, 1993 for setting up of State Human Rights Commission by the State Governments under Sections 21 to 29 of the Act. The State Governments which have not yet set up State Commission have been advised from time to time to set up State Human Rights Commission in their respective States.

**Sabotage Activities by ULFA**

1167. SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR:
SHRI AKHILESH DAS:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether militancy in Assam and other North-Eastern States has again started full throttle, with ULFA setting the Indian Oil Corporation Depot in Naogaon district on fire on August 11,1998 and warning to follow it up with series of other such sabotage activities; and

(b) if so, Government's reaction thereto indicating the steps taken effectively to prevent such activities?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L.K. ADVANI): (a) The North Eastern States of Arunachal Pradesh, Mizoram and Meghalaya have